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## WEEKLY UPDATE

### Resources for Bullying Awareness Month; Idaho PSAs

October is [National Bullying Awareness Month](#). The department organized its bullying resources on a webpage <http://www.sde.idaho.gov/stop-bullying/>. The site includes links to two public service announcements – [Together We Can Stop Bullying](#) and an [Anti-Bullying](#)

[Toolkit](#) from Superintendent of Public Instruction Sherri Ybarra. Please feel free to share these PSAs on your social media sites and with students and your community during October.

### **Student climate/engagement survey questions for Spring 2018 identified**

Attached are the survey questions that students will be asked this spring as part of the state's new accountability framework. The questions were chosen by a work group of State Department of Education and State Board of Education representatives who reached out to stakeholders. The questions are public information and can be shared. Survey results will be reported in the state's K-12 Report Card next fall and will be used in the process to identify schools serving students in grades K-8 for additional support.

### **Assessment task force meets; schedules next meeting for Oct. 30**

An assessment task force made up of education stakeholders began its year-long work Sept. 18. Superintendent Ybarra welcomed the group and the meeting was facilitated by the Assessment Solutions Group. Click [here](#) for more information about the effort. The task force will meet again Oct. 30.

Attendees at the first meeting were: Don Coberly, Boise School District; Alison Henken, Office of the State Board of Education; Dwight Johnson, Career Technical Education; Maria Johnson-Lorcher, Idaho Parent Teacher Association; Joe Kelly, West Ada School District; Karlynn Laraway, State Department of Education; Tim McMurtrey, State Department of Education; Julie Mead, Caldwell School District; Jodie Mills, Caldwell School District; Mike Nelson, Coeur d'Alene School District; Kari Overall, Idaho Education Association; Juan Saldana, Idaho Commission on Hispanic Affairs; Roger Stewart, Boise State University; Shawna Walz, Idaho Business for Education; Marilyn Whitney, Office of the Governor; Michele Widmier, Minidoka School District, Rob Winslow, Idaho Association of School Administrators; and Craig Woods, Notus School District.

### **Assessment & Accountability monthly webinars scheduled**

Monthly webinars are offered by the Assessment & Accountability Department. October's will be 10 a.m. MT, Wednesday, Oct. 11. Register [here](#). Watch September's [here](#). Future webinars will be Nov. 8, Dec. 13, Jan. 10, Feb. 14, March 14, April 11, May 9, and June 13.

### **Automated External Defibrillators (AED) and Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) support for schools**

The American Heart Association/American Stroke Association is working with local sponsors to support schools in meeting high school Health Education requirement to provide one class period of health instruction on hands only CPR and AED (IDAPA rule 08.02.03.105.h). The AHA/ASA and

sponsors can assist in classroom coordinated training, which would include hands only CPR and AED instruction, as well as the story of a survivor saved by hands only CPR.

Interested educators should fill out the attached form and email [erin.bennett@heart.org](mailto:erin.bennett@heart.org), Erin Bennett, American Heart Association/ American Stroke Association.

### **Professionals sought for 2017 review of Idaho Educator Preparation Standards**

Standards and endorsement areas being reviewed this fall are: English, Gifted and Talented, Literacy, and Online Teacher. Learn more [here](#).

### **Two Idaho elementary schools receive national honor**

U.S. Secretary of Education Betsy DeVos Thursday recognized Horseshoe Bend Elementary and J. Russell Elementary School in Moscow as two of more than 300 National Blue Ribbon Schools for 2017. The recognition is based on a school's overall academic performance or progress in closing achievement gaps among student subgroups. On Nov. 6-7, the Secretary and the Department of Education will celebrate with these honorees at an awards ceremony in Washington, D.C. More information about the honor is posted [here](#).

### **Idaho nominations open for Presidential Scholars**

Idaho high school seniors interested in being nominated for the U.S. Presidential Scholars Program are urged to submit applications to the State Department of Education by Oct. 25, 2017. Complete details are posted on the SDE website at <https://www.sde.idaho.gov/events/presidential-scholars/index.html>.

### **Holiday Card Contest submissions begin Oct. 1**

The SDE will be accepting submissions for the 2017 Holiday Card Contest starting Oct. 1, 2017. The annual Holiday Card Contest is an opportunity for Idaho students to showcase their artwork and for the state to recognize the importance of arts in education. More information is available here: [www.sde.idaho.gov/events/card-contest/index.html](http://www.sde.idaho.gov/events/card-contest/index.html)

### **Deadlines**

- **Oct. 1** – Career and College Advising Plans and Early Literacy Plans due to the Office of the State Board of Education and Continuous Improvement Plans should be posted on district/LEA websites. More information: <https://boardofed.idaho.gov/k-12-education/school-district-charter-school-planning-training/>

### **Upcoming events**

- **Oct. 3:** Superintendent Ybarra's Parent Advisory Council meeting, Boise
- **Oct. 4:** Idaho Superintendent Network meeting, Boise.
- **Oct. 4-25:** Public comment window proposed administrative rules.
- **Oct. 11:** [Assessment & Accountability webinar](#)
- **Oct. 10-11:** Principal Mentoring Project, Boise.
- **Oct. 11:** State Board of Education's [Accountability Oversight Committee](#) meeting, Boise
- **Oct. 12:** State Board of Education's Educator Pipeline Committee meeting, Boise
- **Oct. 12-13:** Idaho Principals Network meeting, Boise
- **Oct. 17-18:** Family and Community Engagement Conference, Boise. Learn more [here](#).
- **Oct. 18-19:** State Board of Education meeting, Lewiston.
- **Oct. 30:** Assessment Task Force Meeting, Boise.
- **October:** English Learner training in various regions. [Learn more here](#).
- **October:** Migrant Training in various regions. [Learn more here](#).
- **2017-18:** Danielson Training Session. [Learn more](#). \_